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Dr. Norman E. Gibbons Secretary-General International Association of Microbiological Societies 64 Fuller Street Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

Dear Norman:

If you plan to send a newsletter soon to the national members of IAMS, I hope you will encourage delegates to call on their countries to ratify the BW-Convention passed by the United Nations in December.

Article X in the Treaty also holds a challenge for microbiologists in all countries. IAMS and other organizations should follow through on this and demonstrate their good leadership to the delegates who worked hard on the Convention.

To call this matter to the attention of biomedical scientists I have written an editorial that will appear in the February issue of <u>Biomedical News</u>.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

J. R. Porter

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